CHAMINADE UNIVERSITY SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE & NUMBER: CJ 424: CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. DAY/HOUR: MONDAYS, 4:45-8:30, Pearl Harbor.

INSTRUCTOR: Collin K. C. Lau. Assistant Professor TELEPHONE: 735-4882 or CJ office 735-4703 (Michelle)

OFFICE HOURS: Mondays-Fridays 8a.m.-10 a.m or by appointment.

BIOGRAPHY: Mr. Lau is an Assistant Professor in the Criminal Justice department at Chaminade University. He received a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Hawaii and a Juris Doctorate from the Richardson School of Law. Mr. Lau has worked as a law clerk for the Hawaii Supreme Court, a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, a Deputy Corporation Counsel and in the private practice of law. Mr. Lau also worked two terms as an Independent Counsel to the Oahu Grand Jury.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: The pre-trial and trial rights of the criminal defendant and society, including discussions of the laws of arrest, search and seizure, confessions, identification procedures, self-incrimination and right to counsel. Pre-requisites: CJ 151, 223 or 423.

<u>COURSE</u> **OBJECTIVE:** Upon completion of the course, the student will have been exposed to an overview of various legal issues that impact on the manner in which the criminal defendant is dealt with in the American criminal justice system. The course will also expose the student to constitutional law as it relates to criminal defendants.

REQUIRED Samaha, Joel, Criminal *Procedure*, (4th edition, 1999). TEXTBOOKS:

ATTENDANCE & PARTICIPATION: Class participation is an expected and essential requirement of the course. A student's participation in each session is considered important to the learning process. Missing a session is not an excuse for not being prepared for the next session. A student's absence from or late arrivals to a session will impact the student's grade. In general, there is no make-up procedure for missed examinations or assignments. Students who have advanced knowledge that they will miss an session or deadline should contact the instructor to make arrangements to take the examination at another time. The decision to allow a make-up assignment under these circumstances rests with the instructor and will be made on a case-by-case basis. If a student did not have advanced notice that s/he would miss a session or assignment deadline, s/he must contact the instructor within 24 hours. A message may be left by the student on voice mail at any time. A student who misses an session or deadline and is allowed by the instructor to take do a make-up must be prepared to take it immediately (usually within 48 hours).

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READING ASSIGNMENTS: All reading assignments must be completed prior to class or the student will not be prepared to participate meaningfully in class discussions. Classes are prepared on the assumption and expectation that the student has read the assigned materials and completed any required assignments.

COURSE EVALUATIONS: Final grades are based on the following factors:

Exams are given after four chapters are completed.

GRADING: A = 90% of the possible 300 total points.

B = 80% of the possible 300 total points. C = 70% of the possible 300 total points. D = 60% of the possible 300 total points.

F = less than 60% of the possible points.

FA = failure due to excessive unexcused absences

(2 or more under accelerated schedule).

Note: a grade calculated by the percentage of possible examination points may be reduced to the next lower grade in the event of excessive absences or failure of class participation.

End of syllabus.